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ORDERING CLINICAL SPECIMEN KITS

Due to high call volume we would like to request that you e-mail all Clinical Container orders. If you do not have e-mail, call the number below. Please contact us at:

E-mail: containers@isdh.in.gov

Clinical Orders by Phone: 317-921-5875 Clinical Containers

Please be sure to state the kit type or state form number. The appropriate screening forms are included with each order. **Kits can be ordered individually or by packs** (see below). Also include name, address and phone number of the facility you are calling from. The following clinical kits and forms are available only to health care providers.

CLINICAL KITS/FORMS AVAILABLE			CONTAINERS PER PACK
1B	HIV	SF 29405	1 - 32
2A	PERTUSSIS	9356	1 - 10
4A	PARASITOLOGY	13053	1 - 10
5B	SYPHILIS	13708	1 - 32
6A	TB	13701	1 - 20
7A	ENTERICS	13057	1 - 10
9A	VIROLOGY / WEST NILE	35312	1 - 10
11B	HEPATITIS	45002	1 - 32
11C	PERINATAL HEPATITIS	45057	1 - 32
<u>REFERENCE CULTURE</u>			* FORMS ONLY*
	Mycology	6983	(ISDH does not provide approved containers)
	Enteric	25601	
	Reference Bacteriology	35898	
	Mycobacteriology	13701	

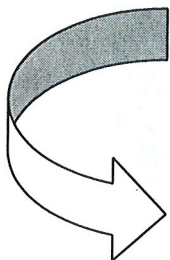
NOTICE

The mailing containers provided are recycled and reused to transport clinical specimens to the lab in a safe and secure fashion. **PLEASE DO NOT LABEL, USE TAPE OR WRITE ON THE CANS AND LIDS.** The inner aluminum containers are sterilized, washed and dried after the specimen has been removed for testing. Patient information written on the mailing label and container is a violation of the HIPAA Privacy Law (PL 104-191). The writing of names/numbers if used does not come off after being washed and dried. Also sending the containers in this manner uses up valuable time for the lab in opening and processing the specimens.

EXPIRED/DAMAGED CLINICAL KITS

If you have any expired, damaged (leaked or broken) kits **2A Pertussis** with transport media (RL), **4A Parasitology** with transport media (Formalin and PVA – zinc) or **7A Enterics** with media (Cary Blair) all can be disposed of at your facility. We will send you **replacement media and labels**. **PLEASE CHECK YOUR CONTAINERS WITH EXPIRATION DATES REGULARLY TO PREVENT DEPLETION.**

PACKAGING AND MAILING INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK



**PACKAGING AND MAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BIOLOGICAL
SUBSTANCE, CATEGORY B, SPECIMENS**

The three types of approved mailing containers that the ISDH Laboratories provides to health care providers are: A. (1B, 5B and 11C); B. (2A, 6A, 7A and 9A); C. (4A).

1. Collect specimen e.g. blood, serum, smear, transport bottles (primary container). Print patient name or identifier and date of collection on the specimen. Without this information the specimen may not be tested.
2. Wrap specimen with sufficient absorbent material to avoid shifting, breakage or possible leakage of the entire contents. Place specimen into aluminum inner container and secure screw cap. **The international biohazard symbol must be on the inner container (secondary container) not the outer mailer.**
3. Fold and wrap request form around inner container and place in outer mailer and screw cap on securely. The crack 'N' peel mailing label should be attached to the outer mailer. **REQUIRED ON ALL MAILING LABELS – Print your name or facility name and phone number regarding who to notify in case of leakage or breakage. ONLY ONE SPECIMEN PER CONTAINER.**
4. Affix first class postage and mail or deliver to **Indiana State Department of Health Laboratories, 550 W. 16th St., Ste. B, Indianapolis, IN 46202.**

